GENERIC LABELING STATEMENT

The Kentucky Board of Pharmacy has addressed generic labeling and has come up with these alternatives when product selection is utilized. Alternatives the Board recognizes in lieu of using just the name of the drug dispensed on the label of the prescription container when product selection (substitution) is made are as follows:

- 1. Methyldopa "generic substitution made for" Aldomet;
- 2. Methyldopa "dispensed in place of" Aldomet;
- 3. Methyldopa "substituted for" Aldomet;
- 4. Methyldopa "generic for" Aldomet;
- 5. Methyldopa "dispensed for" Aldomet; and
- 6. Methyldopa "generic as" Aldomet.

The label must refrain from wording such as "same as" or any inference that the substitution is the same as the trade name drug. Using only the trade name and the generic name on the label is not acceptable when denoting drug product selection. These alternatives were adopted by the Board to meet the requirement when the physician requests that both names appear on the label. This also should help those pharmacists supplying nursing homes and are required to have the name of the medication as it appears on the physician's order in the chart.